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Deadline Drawing Near for Tribal Forum

Bozeman—The deadline to pre-register for the 2007 Tribal Outreach Forum is September 14th. The USDA State Food and Agriculture Council in cooperation with the Intertribal Agriculture Council (IAC), Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), 1994 Land Grant Tribal Colleges and Universities, Tribal Governments and Tribal organizations from across the state will host the event at the Gran Tree Inn, in Bozeman, MT, Sept. 24-27, 2007. Cost for pre-registration is \$35.

The forum supplies an opportunity for cross-training between Tribal producers and state and federal agencies. The three-day venue provides individual Tribes a chance to discuss their culture, demographics, land base, and natural resource needs. Representatives from twelve state and federal agencies will be present to explain benefits and programs available to assist Tribal producers. An insight into the 2007 Farm Bill and how the Farm Bill will affect Tribal producers will be presented. Jonathan Windy Boy, state legislator from Fort Belknap will discuss the state legislative process.

Please contact Heidi Brewer at 406/587-6905 for a registration application or for further information or by logging on to the Montana FSA webpage at: www.fsa.usda.gov/mt or IAC webpage at http://www.indianaglink.com.